ADULT CATECHISM CLASSES

Please join us on Wednesday nights in the parish hall 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

This week's topics:

- The Holy Ghost-Source of Life & Sanctifier of
- One Body in Christ: Communion of Saints: Three Divisions of the Church (Mystical Body)

Questions - please contact Terry Miller at millert832@gmail.com



Vocations Discernment Retreat

Men, ages 16 and above are invited to the Quo Vadis? retreat, December 19-21, held at the Sisters of St. Francis Retreat Center in Independence, MO.

Quo vadis, Latin for "Where are you going?" was the challenge Christ addressed to St. Peter when he was fleeing Rome. At this retreat, it is our hope you will learn to pray more deeply, open your heart more fully, spend time with vibrant priests and seminarians from the diocese, and interact with other men who, like you, are courageous enough to explore the question "Quo Vadis?"

You are invited to step away from the noise and distractions of daily life and spend the weekend listening for the Lord's voice. If you're unsure about the priesthood, but open to God's call, this retreat is for you!

Click the QR code to register. Deadline to register is December 15th Questions: Contact Kelly Roper 816-714-2381 or kroper@kcsjdiocese.org



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Commandment of the Month for December

The 4th Commandment

"Honor your father and mother"

It is easy for adults to discount this Commandment as a simple instruction for children. Don't discount it so quickly.

The 4th Commandment offers a wealth of wisdom and insights for parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and yes... children too. The 4th Commandment is a guidebook for raising happy children and enjoying strong marriages.

As parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles, we are the examples the children observe to learn honor and respect. Therefore, this Commandment challenges us adults to conduct ourselves honorably. Embracing and living the Commandments is a beautiful way for each of us to live honorably and become the best models for the children in our lives.

PARISH DIRECTORY UPDATE

Thank you to all the families who came to have their pictures taken for the parish directory. Unfortunately, we did not get enough interest to add another photography day (minimum 15 families needed). You may also submit a digital photo of your family via email along with \$15 (marked DIRECTORY) to be included. Please identify the names in the photo.

ADVENT ROSARY

We will be gathering to pray the rosary on Monday evenings during Advent starting at 7:00 pm. (This week will begin AFTER Feast of Immaculate Conception Mass) Questions? Contact Heather Boddicker 319-541-3750

LISTEN TO FR. DREW'S DAILY MASS ON CATHOLIC RADIO - 1090 AM **MONDAY - FRIDAY 11:00 AM** FR. DREW'S HOMILIES AIR AT 3:50 PM

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The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

suspect sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and

2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and If the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. report the suspected abuse to the Diocesan Ombudsman, ombudsmankcsj.org 816-213-6024

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Advocate, at 816-714-2357 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org for more information

ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH





SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 7, 2025

PASTOR

Rev. Kevin Drew Ph: 816.539.2634 kevindrewll@yahoo.com stannplattsburg@gmail.com

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Amie Friedl

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LEGION OF MARY

Tom Kutz Sherry Kutz Carleen Miller Terry Miller

VISITATION SODALITY

Shannon Hansen Gina Watton Mary Hale Collene Cole

CALVARY CEMETERY

Cody O'Connor





HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

This is my body given for you. Luke 22:19

WEEKEND MASSES Sunday - 10:45 AM Saturday - 4 PM

DAILY MASS Wednesday - 6 PM Tues/Thu - 12 PM

CONFESSION

Repent, therefore and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away. Acts 3:19°

WEDNESDAY 5:30 PM

SATURDAY 3:00 PM

Contact Fr. Drew for Appts

ADORATION

The greatest love story of all time is contained in a tiny white host. - Sheen

JANUARY 7-8, 2025

Please sign up in the narthex.

BAPTISM

Please contact the Pastor

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the office 816-539-2634 follow instructions.

MATRIMONY

Please contact the Pastor 6-9 months before the proposed date.

stannplattsburg.org 816-539-2634 700 W MAPLE ST PLATTSBURG, MO 64477

ALTAR SERVERS

SUN. DEC 7 - 10:45 AM

- MC Angelo Moraille
- T Jonathan Friedl A - Brogan Noll
- A Ambrose Green
- S Tyler Walock
- R Tyler Walock

MON, DEC 8 - 10:45 AM

MC - Angelo Moraille

- T Brogan Noll
- A Pierre Moraille A - Justin Friedl
- S David Woody
- R David Woody

SUN. DEC 14 - 10:45 AM

- MC Jonathan Friedl
- T Grant Schuster
- A Pierre Moraille
- A Justin Friedl S - David Woody
- R Terry Miller

MASS INTENTION **REQUEST**

Mass intention envelopes are in the narthex. Place your Mass intention envelope with your \$10 stipend in the basket.

MASS INTENTIONS

SAT, DEC 6-4 PM Marilee Altenhofen + By: Matt & Jami James

SUN. DEC 7 - 10:45 AM

James Urbanski + By: Matt & Jami James

MON. DEC 8 - 7:00 PM

Conversion of Hardened & Dving Sinners By: Anonymous

TUES, DEC 9 - 12:00 PM

Special Intention By: Clark & Cheryl Bloomer

WED, DEC 10 - 6:00 PM

Gentry Bowman By: Anonymous

THURS, DEC 11 - 12:00 PM

Relief & Release of Houl Souls of Purgatory By: Anonymous

SAT, DEC 13 - 4 PM

Nancy Conley By: Clark & Cheryl Bloomer

SUN, DEC 14 - 10:45 AM

Ben & Meghan Richey By: Gary & Suzanna Cierpoit

PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY We pray for our elderly, infirm, and homebound:

O God, your Son accepted sufferings to teach us the virtue of patience in human illness. Hear the prayers we offer for our sick brothers and sisters. May all who suffer pain, illness or disease realize that they are chosen to be saints, and know that they are joined to Christ in his suffering for the salvation of the world, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

Vicki Anseume, Allen Bence, Kenneth Carey, Etta Mae Carlson, Pat Clingan, Edward Cook, Nancy Conley, Paul Daily, Lori Echols, Janice Fristoe, Cindy Gaines-Walter, Martha Gerling, Cara Green, Jean Harris, Tom Kutz, Sylvia McCollester, Tom Morgan, Don Price, Lee & Barbara Schwery, Amy Spriesterbach, Bob Swope, Steve VanHorn, Marie VanHorn, Tonia Vigilante, William Wolford Jr, Meryle Young, Claudia Ziegler, Lindsay Plathe

In Loving Memory

Eternal Rest Grant unto them. O Lord. and let Your perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

To add or change a name please email - stannplattsburg@gmail.com

COLLECTION

NOV 29, 2025 - NOV 30, 2025

Offertory: \$ 4,551.00 \$ 335.00 Online:

Total: \$ 4,886.00

\$3718.56 needed weekly to meet our budget. The monthly operating budget is distinct from the capital campaign. Thank you for your generosity!

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR



For there will be an end to this world, and the created world will be made new.

Advent is about the two comings of Christ. Listen to St Cyril, the Bishop of Jerusalem who died in 386 AD:

"We do not preach only one coming of Christ, but a second as well, much more glorious than the first. The first coming was marked by patience; the second will bring the crown of a divine kingdom.

In general, whatever relates to our Lord Jesus Christ has two aspects. There is a birth from God before the ages, and a birth from a virgin at the fullness of time. There is a hidden coming, like that of rain on fleece, and a coming before all eyes, still in the future. At the first coming He was wrapped in swaddling clothes in a manger.

At his second coming He will be clothed in light as in a garment. In the first coming He endured the cross, despising the shame; in the second coming He will be in glory, escorted by an army of angels. We look then beyond the first coming and await the second. At the first coming we said: *Blessed is he* who comes in the name of the Lord. At the second we shall say it again; we shall go out with the angels to meet the Lord and cry out in adoration: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

The Savior will not come to be judged again, but to judge those by whom he was judged. At His own judgment He was silent; then He will address those who committed the outrages against him when they crucified Him and will remind them: You did these things, and I was silent.

His first coming was to fulfill His plan of love, to teach men by gentle persuasion. This time, whether men like it or not, they will be subjects of His kingdom by necessity. The prophet Malachi speaks of the two comings. And the Lord whom you seek will come suddenly to His temple: that is one coming.

Again, he says of another coming: Look, the Lord almighty will come, and who will endure the day of His entry, or who will stand in His sight? Because He comes like a refiner's fire, a fuller's herb, and He will sit refining and cleansing ...

That is why the faith we profess has been handed on to you in these words: He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

Our Lord Jesus Christ will therefore come from heaven. He will come at the end of the world, in glory, at the last day. For there will be an end to this world, and the created world will be made new."

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASS TIMES

Sunday, 12/7 @ 5:00 pm (Excelsior Springs) Monday, 12/8 @ 8:30 am (Excelsior Springs) Monday, 12/8 @ 7:00 pm (Plattsburg)

CATHOLIC MONTH OF DECEMBER

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

The month of December is dedicated to the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. "From all eternity God chose with infinite wisdom the woman who would be the Mother of His divine Son. To prepare for the Word Incarnate a spotless and holy tabernacle, God created Mary in grace and endowed her from the moment of her conception with all the perfections suited to her exalted dignity. St. Thomas teaches that through her intimacy with Christ, the principle of grace, she possessed beyond all creatures a fullness of divine life."

- Liturgical Meditations, The Sisters of St. Dominic

This feast invites us to meditate on the virtue of purity. "Mary alone — 'our tainted nature's solitary boast'— never saw her soul's purity darkened with the dust of any stain, nor did she see in any part of her triumphal course toward heaven any sin or trace of worldliness. By a unique and singular privilege from God she was preserved from original sin from the first moment of her Immaculate Conception; by another privilege derived from the first, the Lord did not permit her ever to be stained even with those unavoidable failings of human weakness." – Luis M. Martinez



VIRTUE: UNION

QUI MANET IN CHARITATE, IN DEO MANET, ET DEUS IN EO----WHO ABIDETH IN CHARITY, ABIDETH IN GOD, AND GOD IN HIM.----1 JOHN 4:16

The object of all virtues is to bring us into union with God, in which ALONE IS LAID UP ALL THE HAPPINESS THAT CAN BE ENJOYED IN THIS WORLD. NOW, IN WHAT DOES THIS UNION PROPERLY CONSIST? IN NOTHING SAVE A PERFECT CONFORMITY AND RESEMBLANCE BETWEEN OUR WILL AND THE WILL OF GOD, SO THAT THESE THESE TWO WILLS ARE ABSOLUTELY ALIKE----THERE IS NOTHING IN ONE REPUGNANT TO THE OTHER; ALL THAT ONE WISHES AND loves, the other wishes and loves; whatever pleases or displeases one, PLEASES OR DISPLEASES THE OTHER.----ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS



Bishop Johnston's Prayer intentions for the month of **DECEMBER**

For the relief, consolation, and recovery of all those impacted in Jamaica, Haiti, Cuba, and the Philippines by the recent hurricane and typhoon.

The Holy Father's Prayer intentions for the month of **DECEMBER**

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace. reconciliation, and hope.



SOUP SUNDAY, ST. NICK PARTY, ADDITIONAL CONFESSION TIMES

Mark your calendars for **December 14, 2025**

Knights of Columbus will be hosting a St. Nick's Party, Visitation Sodality will be providing soup, and Fr. Drew will be offering additional confessions AFTER Mass.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS **REV. DENIS KEILY COUNCIL #9401**

Upcoming Events: December 14 - St. Nicholas Party

Business meetings:

2nd Saturday of each month - 9AM For more info please contact:

Eric Niemann, Recruiter, at eniemann@1791.com

VISITATION SODALITY

The Visitation Sodality is an organization made up of all age ladies, dedicated to serving the parish and our Priest. We strive to support the liturgy and the altar, social functions and funerals. Please consider joining us in our mission to serve our parish family.

UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER 14 - SOUP SUNDAY MONTHLY MEETING - NO DECEMBER MEETING

Come check out our store located in the Parish Hall. We have sacramentals, gifts, books, veils, and more! All proceeds go to serving our Church and our Parish Family.

Contact Shannon Hansen for more info: hansenfamily1999@gmail.com

ALTAR FLOWERS AT ST. ANN

You can sponsor flowers for \$40 a week in honor or memorial of a loved one. Their name and yours will be listed in the bulletin. Please make your checks payable to the Visitation Sodality and in the memo write flowers. Your gift will be assigned the next available week, unless you have a specific week in mind. Envelopes for flowers are in the back of the church and can be placed in the



Members of our parish are currently visiting residents at Oakridge and Nick's Healthcare Center here in Plattsburg.

If you would like to be a part of this ministry, contact Terry and Carleen Miller at (816) 930-2976

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary is a world wide lay apostolic association of Catholics dedicated to praying and working for Mary for the salvation of souls.

The parish needs people willing to give a little of their time to Marv.

There's not a better person to pray and work for but Mary, and not a better reason to pray and work than for the salvation of souls.

Meetings are Sunday mornings at 9:15 AM in the Rectory.

Questions: call Sherry Kutz (217) 260-7338